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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the

application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A composition high capacity filtration media consisting

of a porous substrate impregnated with a permanganate and water, wherein the permanganate

is a permanganate salt having a solubility in water greater than that of potassium

permanganate, and wherein the concentration of permanganate salt in the composition

filtration media is approximately 8-25% permanganate salt by weight, and wherein the

filtration media is configured to remove contaminants from a high flow air stream.

2. (Currently amended) The composition filtration media of claim 1, wherein the

permanganate salt is selected from the group consisting of sodium permanganate, magnesium

permanganate, calcium permanganate, barium permanganate, lithium permanganate, or a

combination and combinations thereof.

3. (Currently amended) The composition filtration media of claim 1, wherein the

composition filtration media comprises at least about 13 to about 25% permanganate salt by

weight.

4. (Currently amended) The composition <u>filtration media</u> of claim 1, wherein the

eomposition filtration media comprises at least about 15 to about 20 % permanganate salt by

weight.

5. (Canceled).

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6. (Canceled).

7. (Currently amended) The composition filtration media of claim 1, wherein the

permanganate salt comprises sodium permanganate.

8. (Canceled).

9. (Currently amended) The composition filtration media of claim 1, wherein the

porous substrate comprises activated alumina, a silica gel, a zeolite, a zeolite-like mineral,

kaolin, an adsorbent clay, activated bauxite, or a combination thereof, and wherein the

porous substrate is between about 40 and about 80% by weight of the composition filtration

media.

10. (Currently amended) The composition filtration media of claim 9, wherein the

zeolite or zeolite-like mineral is selected from amicite, analcime, pollucite, boggsite,

chabazite, edingtonite, faujasite, ferrierite, gobbinsite, harmotome, phillipsite, clinoptilolite,

mordenite, mesolite, natrolite, garronite, perlialite, barrerite, stilbite, thomsonite, kehoeite,

pahasapaite, tiptopite, hsianghualite, lovdarite, viseite, partheite, prehnite, roggianite,

apophyllite, gyrolite, maricopaite, okenite, tacharanite, tobermorite, or a combination and

combinations thereof.

11-33. (Canceled).

34. (New) The filtration media of claim 1, wherein the filtration media is

configured to remove contaminants from an air stream moving through the filtration media at

a flow rate of from 10 to 750 ft/min.

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35. (New) The filtration media of claim 34, wherein the filtration media is

configured to remove contaminants from an air stream moving through the filtration media at

a flow rate of from 60 to 100 ft/min.

36. (New) The filtration media of claim 1, wherein the contaminants are selected

from the group consisting of sulfur compounds, ammonia, chlorine, formaldehyde, urea,

carbon monoxide, oxides of nitrogen, mercaptans, amines, isopropyl alcohol, ethylene and

combinations thereof.